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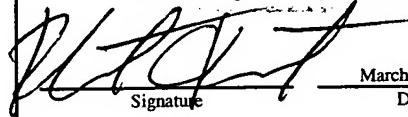
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Dear Sir:

Please enter the following preliminary amendment in the above-captioned case.

Please amend the case as listed below.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows. A marked-up copy of the amended  
portions of the specification is included in Attachment A.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on line 27 of page 61 with:

In one embodiment, the rendezvous policy may use an index cache (e.g.  
rendezvous proxy). Figure 31 illustrates discovery through a rendezvous proxy according